



Topic Introduction ईशावास्यमिदं सर्वं

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Presentation Abstract



Drawing on Mantras 9, 10 and 11 of the Ishavasyopanishad, this talk examines the apparent paradox of Vidya and Avidya and shows how the Vedic vision of “Ishavasyamidam sarvam” has been corrupted by reading Atman, Brahman, Dharma and Yoga through borrowed categories such as soul, God, religion and mysticism. It then re-establishes the Vedic foundations of Murtipuja, Yajna, Vivaaha Samskaara and Gau-seva as Yogadharma, and explains why the HMEC 2026 themes of Sanskar, Samaj and Srishti are meaningful and purposeful under the Vidya-Avidya Yogic integrative fields while they cannot hold their grounds under the untenable doctrine of “Jaganmithya”. The talk closes with a call to rise from mental slavery and engage in Karma-Yoga for the renaissance of the Vedic civilization.

Importance of Bharat Bhumi:



The Birthplace of the Vedas:

गायन्ति देवाः किल गीतकानि धन्यास्तु ते भारतभूमिभागे ।

स्वर्गापवर्गास्पदमार्गभूते भवन्ति भूयः पुरुषाः सुरत्वात् ॥ (विष्णुपुराण, 2:3:24)

- यहाँ "देवता गीत गाते हैं कि स्वर्ग और अपवर्ग की मार्गभूत **भारत भूमि** के भाग में जन्मे लोग देवताओं की अपेक्षा भी अधिक धन्य हैं। स्वर्ग और अपवर्ग (मोक्ष-कैवल्य) के मार्ग स्वरूप भारत-भूमि को धन्य-धन्य कहते हुए देवगण इसका शौर्य-गान गाते हैं। यहाँ पर मनुष्य जन्म पाना देवत्व पद प्राप्त करने से भी बढ़कर है।
- So, this is the **Real Bharat Rashtra** Originated from the First Divine Mothers:
- **Mahi, Aditi, Sarasvati and Bharati, Atharva Veda 5:27:9).**

QUESTION? What is the Rashtriya Charitra and Identity today? Do we have, a really one?

Glory of Bharata



“India is the *motherland of our race* and Sanskrit the mother of Europe’s languages.

She was the *mother* of our philosophy; *mother* through the Arabs, of much of our *mathematics*; *mother*, through Buddha of *the ideals* embodies in Christianity; *mother*, through the village community of self-government and democracy.

Mother India is, in many ways, the mother of us all.” [Will Durant, the Great British Historian; The Story of Civilization]

“And the same India has remained *politically, socially, intellectually, and mentally slave*; and the same India remained plunged into the *deep darkness of Agyana*; and the same India has *lost the glory of Motherhood*; and the same India[that is Bharata] now is at the cross-road of the *civilizational decay and death or potentiality of renaissance for achieving even the greater glory.*” (Shive Chaturvedi)

Please Note:

This very brief warning must be looked at as a deep commitment toward the goal of Renaissance of the Vedic Civilization. Wake Up, Rise, and become a Karma-Yogi.

Corruption, Pollution and Uprooting of Vedic Doctrines



- [A few examples:](#)
- Atman, Purusha --- not Soul or Spirit.
- Parmatman, Brahman, Purushottama, Bhagavan ---not God (God is only an aspect)
- Prakriti---not Nature, (Nature is an aspect of Prakriti)
- Maya--- not Illusion but a “Devi” source and ground of all kinds of powers/forces

It does create illusions too.

- Yoga--- not Mysticism
- Dharma---not Religion. The greatest tragedy when Dharma-Kshetra became Religion.
- Spirituality, and other cognates/derivatives--- not Adhyatma
- I am spiritual but not religious? Popular, but strangely muddled? (complete break from the authority of Churches and Synagogues)

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Rajaniti: It is not Politics.

Raja-aniti: This proper word for the “Contemporary Indian Politics” ; it has disappeared from Indian minds.

- What a civilizational tragedy?

The Term “Atman” or “Purusha” is NOT the soul or Spirit

- From Christian Bible:

Soul: “ At death the soul ceases to think or feel and returns to the dust from which it was made.”
(Genesis 3:19; Psalm 146:3, 4; Ecclesiastes 3:19, 20; 9:5, 10; Ezekiel 18, 20; Matt. 10:28).

- Conclusion:

Breath of life and/ or psychic faculty. Nothing to do with “Atman” or “Purusha”

Vedic Sanatana Dharma vs. Abrahamic Religions:



- Greatest Tragedy to Hindu Civilization

➡ Vedic Sanatana Dharma is a Religion : [First level of degeneration]

➡ All religions are same. [Second level of degeneration]

➡ And then emerged the conflicting/Ire-reconcilable battle ground of Religion vs. Secularism(secularism became anti-Hindu, Anti-India)

Latest Alarming NEWS:



IMPOSSIBLE QUESTIONS

- (a) What came before Big Bang?
- (b) How did life begin?
- (c) What is consciousness?
- (d) Will we ever achieve immortality?

Note: Vedic Wisdom Traditions have the Answers.

These mysteries can be pierced through various Vedic Yogic Sadhanas as well as through meditation on the Shabdārtha Brahman.

Introduction to Ishavasyopanishad:



- This is the first great Upanishad in the Upanishadic tradition.
- It is the 40th chapter (the last chapter) of Shukla-Yajurvedasamhita.
- It is also the only “Mantropanishad”, being the part of Mantrasamhita.
- It starts with the pada, “Ishavasyamidam sarvam”
- Two Swaroops/Traditions:
 - a) Madhyandin branch of Vajasaneyisamhita: Only 17 Mantras,
 - b) Kanvasamhita of the Shukla-Yajurveda: Only 18 Mantras.

The Kanvasamhita is more popular and the Mantras 9, 10 and 11 are for today’s discourse.

The first Mantra:



ॐ ईशावास्यमिदं सर्वं यत् किं च जगत्यां जगत् ।
तेन त्यक्तेन भुञ्जीथा मा गृधः कस्यस्विद्धनम् ॥ १ ॥

“All this-whatever there is changeful in this changing universe-is enveloped by **Ishvara**. Live your life with the **spirit of renunciation**. Do not covet the **wealth** of anyone.”

Wealth: all worldly possessions; **Ishvara**: Divya Controller and Custodian

कुर्वन्नेवेह कर्माणि जिजीविषेच्छतं समाः ।
एवं त्वयि नान्यथेतोऽस्ति **न कर्म लिप्यते नरे** ॥ २ ॥

“Nishkama Karma-Yoga”

“ Only by performing actions(**Karmani**), one should desire to live a **hundred years** on this earth. For such a man like you there is no way other than this (by which) actions do not cling to.”

Ishavashya Mantra-9:



अन्धं तमः प्रविशन्ति येऽविद्यामुपासते ।
ततो भूय इव ते तमो य उ विद्यायाँ रताः ॥ ९ ॥

“ Those who **worship Avidya** alone enter into blinding darkness; and those who are devoted to **Vidya** alone enter into **still greater darkness**”.

Please Note:

- Apparent Paradox, a contradiction ?
- The Key words: **Vidya, and Avidya; what they really mean here?**
- *A very wide variety of interpretations(with serious contradictions) by the leading Acharyas, thinkers and writers, beginning with the **Adi Shankaracharya ji.***

A Powerful Story to highlight the depth of Paradox (Mantra 9 & 11)



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Ishavashya Mantra-11:



विद्यां चाविद्यां च यस्तद्वेदोभयं सह ।

अविद्यया मृत्युं तीर्त्वा विद्ययाऽमृतमश्नुते ॥ ११ ॥

Doctrine-A : “He who knows that both Vidya and Avidya should be pursued together, crosses death through Avidya and attains immortality through Vidya.”

Amritam? A point of controversy; is this Moksha?

Vidya: Transcendental (Vedantic) Wisdom; Avidya: Worldly Wisdom

Ishavashya Mantra-11: (contd.)



Doctrine-B: A Powerful but false doctrine- “Jaganmithya”

HMEC-2026 Themes (lose their meanings and purpose under the Doctrine-B.)

- *Sanskar (Vales & Culture) Track*
- *Srishti (Environment & Sustainability) Track*
- *Gau Seva & Rural Impact Track*
- *Wellness & Holistic Living Track/Art and Craft/food for mind*
- *Digital Dharma & Youth Engagement Track*
- *Youth Leadership & Identity track*

Powerful Controversial Doctrine:

Ultimate Reality- Sakaar or Nirakaar (Foundational Relevance to the Very Existence of Murti Puja and Mandir, and Hindu Civilizational Identity)



- Pervasive linguistic Expression: (
- The Brahman is “Nirakaar?(Formless)”- This word and associated meanings *don't appear in any of the 56 Upanishads, including 11 Principal ones, neither in Bhagavadgita, nor in many primary scriptures to my knowledge.*
- Brahman: Saguna Brahman, Nirguna Brahman, Akshara Brahman, Kshara Brahman, Murta Brahman, Amurta Brahman, Martya Brahman, Amratam Brahman, Sthita Brahman, Dynamic Brahman, Mahat Brahman, Avyakta Brahman, Vyakta Brahman, Param Brahman, Shabda Brahman, Nada Brahman, Vikeeran Brahman, Divyarasa Madhurya Brahman, (my new revelation) etc.
- What about, “Bhagavan Swaroop”? Brahmanohi pratisthaham—(Gita 14.27)
Divyatidivya Guna-beyond Nirguna and Saguna Brahman Swaroop.

Continue--- Powerfull Response



मया ततमिदं सर्वं जगदव्यक्तमूर्तिना ।
मत्स्थानि सर्वभूतानि न चाहं तेष्ववस्थितः ॥ Gita:9.4 ॥

- This entire cosmic manifestation(santients and non-santients) is pervaded by Me in My unmanifest form. All beings dwell in Me, but I do not dwell in them.
- जगदव्यक्तमूर्तिना- this Cosmos is my Avyakta Murti (Saakaara but unmanifest)
- Story of Acharya Madhusudan Saraswati. (The greatest thinker in the Adi-Shankaracharya Tradition, 16th century).
- American student encounter with a baby Krishna picture.
- Incident in My discourse on Bhagavatam in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Prohibition of Murtipuja: (Apparent Contradictions and Paradoxes)



- **1- Indian Apologists:** (Construction under Colonial Times)

(a) Ultimate Reality Nirguna Nirakaar Brahman—unqualified by names, forms, attributes, etc.

Image worship-illusory;

(b) Murtis-impotent, unable to defend themselves from robbers, plunderers, animals, etc.;

(c) How to reconcile many gods and goddess, with the ONE Supreme ONE;

(d) Other reasons that include social, economic; internal rivalry between different sampradayas; erosion and disappearance of Authentic Murtipuja; conflicts with the Islamic and Christian world views, and political;

(e) The times and ground circumstances were different;

Note: All the objections from the above schools of thought can effectively be answered. And the Karmakanda aspect of the Reality can and must be reestablished.

A Powerful Example of Direct Visionary Experince:



A. Madhusudana Saraswati's sudden Divine Experince:

- A Great samnyasin and a great upholder of Advaita Theology of Adi Shankaracharya.
- His work Advaitasiddhi (one of the most important grinthas): A high-water mark in logical and philosophical sophistication and scholarship in Vedantic tradition.
- One of the most important chapter- the **Nirakaara Vada** for successfully, logically, and philosophically, establishing the case for- the **Ultimate absence of any Akara, or form, to Brahman.**
- At the end of this **Nirakaara-Vada, a sudden most powerful, visual experience:** the last stanza :

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- “ I do not know any other ultimate and supreme truth [tattva] than Krishna.

His palm is adorned by the flute. He is [all black-bluish] like a fresh cloud.

He wears the golden pitambara silk. His upper and lower lips are reddish like the bimba fruit.

His face is charming and sweet like the full disc of the moon.

His eyes are verily lotuses.”

- Stanza- the singular occurrence.
- This vision is highly concrete and transformative to make him a great bhakta of Raseswar Krishna, also wrote another grintha, “Bhakti Rasayana”.

Note: The Nirakaravada as the ultimate doctrine collapses.

Origin of Murti Puja:



- Please Note: (Very Carefully)
- The Origin and The Foundation of the Murti Puja Yogadharma

- (a) The very manifested cosmos, the “Shristi”- is the first avataara of Bhagavan (Akshara Brahman), the very Sharira of Shri Hari and,
- (b) The very first Divine act: the “Yajna”

Please Note:

Murti Puja is NOT the idol worship.

Idol means false God.

Yajna-The Central Image: The Beginning (The Srashti)



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The most wonderful, mysterious questions.

- “I ask you: What is the limit of the Earth?
- I ask you: What is the central point of the Universe?
- I ask you: What is the semen of the Cosmic Horse?
- I ask you: What is the ultimate dwelling of Language?”

• The Answers:

- “ This altar is the limit of the Earth.
Cosmos.]

[Mandir is the Microcosmos map of the

- *This Sacrifice is the navel of the Universe.*
- This Soma is the semen of the Cosmic Horse.
- *This Braahman (singer) is the center of Language.”*

Invocation to Agnideva (The Beginning)



- What a wonder and Beauty: Yogic Mantra

अग्निमीळे पुरोहितं यज्ञस्य देवमृत्विजम् ।
होतारं रत्नधातमम् ॥ (Rig-Veda: 1.1.1)

“I sing lauds to Agni, The Purohita (Priest?) and Devata, The Hotra (Chanter), The Ritvij (Performer) who brings all Wealth and blessing.”

Please Ponder Upon: (Decoding)

- a) Agni as Devata, Purohit, Hotra and Ritvij: All in one-Yogic Personality
- b) Chhandas: Gayatri (matra-24) –a measure ,Ganita Shastra, Chhanda Shastra
- c) Time: Continuous containing peaks and valleys
- d) Sangeet (Music, sound vibrations)
- e) Vak (Language Structure)
- f) Ratna-all kinds of wealth, including Vidya

Vivaaha Samskaara Yogadharma-Kshetra



Forms of Vivaaha

1. Paisaacha Vivaaha
2. Raakshasa Vivaaha
3. Gandharva Vivaaha
4. Aasura Vivaaha
5. Prajaapatya Vivaaha
6. Aarsa Vivaaha
7. Daiva Vivaaha
8. Braahma Vivaaha-the ideal one that is being currently followed.

Vivaha Sanskara is **NOT** Marriage or Wedding



Marriage or Wedding:

- Legal contracts,
- Social contracts,
- Some rituals were added later by the Abrahamic traditions.

Vivaha Samskaara Yogadharma: (New Name)

- Yogic Union of two (male & female) for entering and getting established in the field of Grihastha Ashrama-Yoga for several lives (past and future)
- A path for perpetuation of human existence through progeny
- Adhyatmic Yoga-Dharma,

Vivaha Sanskara Yogadharma **NOT** Marriage or Wedding (contd.)



- The Divine world is invoked and is a witness,
- Adhibhautic world is invoked and present,
- Social Dharma (entry into Grihastha Ashrama),
- “Yajna” with Agnideva at the center,
- Legal union,
- Psycho-mental union,
- A path to Vanaprastha and Sannyasa Asramas,
- A path to Moksha and divine experience.

Continue--- (Vivaaha Samskaara Yogadharma)

Priests and the Mandir Institutions must address the following



A. Perversion, corruption and Pollution in the Vivaaha Samskaara:

- (i) Identification of such observed aspects.
- (ii) Primary reasons behind this state of affairs.
- (iii) Potential corrective measures.

B. The questions and corresponding answers for contemporary and future society:

- (i) Is Vivaaha Samskaara mandatory?
- (ii) Is Vivaaha Samaskaara of the widowed female accepted?
- (iii) Is the Live-in relationship without Vivaaha Samskaara acceptable?

Continue--- (Vivaaha Samskaara Yogadharma)



(iv) Is the same-sex Vavaaha Samskaara acceptable?

(v) Is sexual relationship prior to Vivaaha-Samskaara acceptable?

(vi) Is Inter-cultural Vivaaha Samskaara acceptable?

(vii) Future of the institution of Vivaaha Samskaara and its impact on Individual and Society,

Please Note:

I have already discussed and answered the above questions along with significant updates with new dimensions in my online free courses.

GAU-Calf(Cow-Calf) Puja-Yogadharma



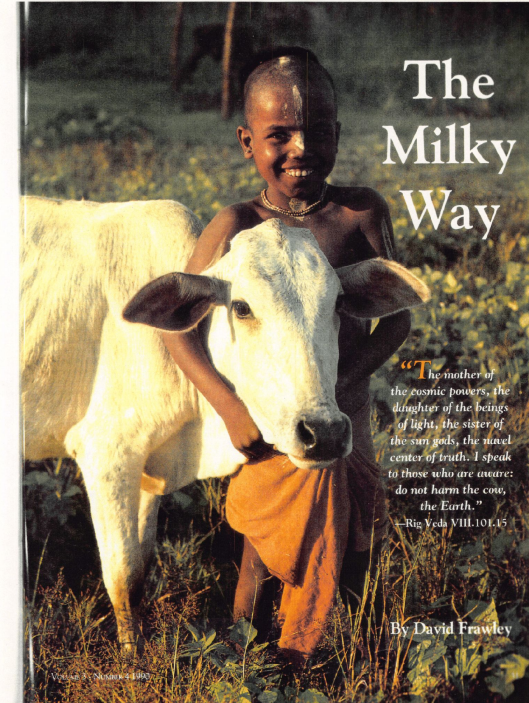
Brahma-Cow(America)



Cow-Deity(Embodying the Divine beings)

Mother Cow:

“The mother of the cosmic powers, daughter of the beings of light, sister of the sun gods, the navel center of Truth. I speak to those who are aware: do not harm the Cow, the Earth.” (*Rig Veda VIII.101.15*)



Continue--- (Krishna-Gopala-Govinda with Cows)



The total manifestation of ‘GO’ in Bhagavan Krishna’s Divine Leela.

Please recall: the multidimensional polymorphous inherent nature of ‘Go’ encompassing divine, human, and natural worlds.



Gopabansi picthra
Late 18th century
Paint on cotton
230 x 217 cm

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Killing of the cows: It deeply means-

- Killing the life forces,
- Killing the principle of Ahimsa,
- Killing the Purusharthas,
- Killing the field of Rita (Sanatana dharma),
- Killing the most-gentle, most-loving and most-giving creature, and
- Killing all the social relations,
- Destruction of Vedic-World.
- “The cows are sacred, and they bring wellbeing to all. All the worlds are situated in cows.” (Agni Puraana)



Final Question:

Is Cow an Animal?

Answer:

NO, she is not an animal but a divine Mother in an animal form, embodiment of the divine, human and natural worlds within her in the very, very subtle forms.

Concluding Thoughts



Let us sing together; let us dance together; **let us learn together**; let us eat together; let us serve together; let us celebrate together...

Otherwise, life can be absurd, meaningless, purposeless ?

Yatra Yogeshvara Krishna...

RISE UP to get rid of **Mental Slavery**, and **deep dark ignorance** and engage also in **Nishkama Karma Yoga**, and reestablish an enlightening **Sanatana Dharma**, but with the suggested innovations.

Thanks a lot! And begging for your forgiveness; and requesting your blessing.

~ A Banazaaraa, an Awaaraa, A homeless Wanderer,

Shive Chaturvedi (A Sevak of Vedic Rishis)

SATYAMEVA JAYATE

Prayer:



- Please **sing** together the following mantras:

ॐ सह नाववतु ।
सह नौ भुनक्तु ।
सह वीर्यं करवावहै ।
तेजस्वि नावधीतमस्तु मा विद्विषावहै ।
ॐ शान्ति शान्ति शान्तिः ॥

Let us together (-saha) be protected (-na vavatu) and let us together be nourished (-bhunaktu).

Let us together join our mental forces in strength (-veeryam) for the benefit of humanity (-karvaa vahai).

Let our efforts at learning be luminous (-tejasvi) and filled with joy and endowed with the force of purpose (-vadhita mastu). Let us never (-maa) be poisoned (-vishaa) with the seeds of hatred for anyone. Let there be peace and serenity (-shaantih) among all.